EXHIBIT B

OLD REPUBLIC SURETY COMPANY

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March 21, 2025

Sent via Email Only

James Linlor

Re: **Claim No:** **71870**
Bond No.: W150373883
Principal: Aaron L Kite
Company: Old Republic Surety Company
Claimant: James Linlor

Dear Mr. Linlor:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your email and accompanying documentation, which was received in this office on March 20, 2025, regarding the above-captioned matter.

We have reviewed the document titled Supplemental Responses To Plaintiff's First Request For Interrogatories. The date of Marcella Warner Holman's signature on the document is March 13, 2025.

Further, the Principal's notary Bond expired May 21, 2024. Since the bond was not in effect at the time of the notarization, Old Republic Surety Company must deny your claim. There is no liability under a notary bond for notarizations that take place outside the effective dates of the bond. If you have any information, documentation, or case law that you believe would lead us to a different conclusion, please provide it within the next 20 days. Otherwise, the Company will consider this matter closed.

The Company strictly reserves all rights and defenses available under the bond, the contract documents, applicable law, and/or equity. Neither this letter nor any responses by the Company to the matters described herein constitute an estoppel, waiver, or modification of any such rights and defenses, including, without limitation, defenses that may be available under any applicable notice and suit limitation.

Sincerely,

OLD REPUBLIC SURETY COMPANY

Claims Representative I – Commercial